programmes under Special Component Plan and Tribal Sub-plan are monitored at the Central Level through periodic reports furnished by the State Governments|U.T. Admns. Besides, the senior Officers of the Central Government also pay visits to the States|U.T. with a view to assess the actual impact of implementation of the scheme|programmes under SCP and TSP and the problems, difficulties, if any, faced during their implementation.

Review of the progress of implementation of the programmes is a continuous process. The aim, always, is to improve the position.

New schemes for organised rural poor

3219. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to launch any new scheme for organised rural poor in the country during the current year; and

(b) if so, what are the deatails thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDULAL CHANDRAKAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The scheme is called, "Organisation of beneficiaries of Anti-Poverty Programmes". The objectives of the scheme are:—

(i) to increase the level of awareness of the target groups in regard to the programme content and facilities provided therein under programmes such as IRDP, NREP, RLEGP, TRYSEM, DWCRA, etc.;

(ii) to encourage their participation in the planning and implementation of these programmes;

(iii) to increase their bargaining power through group action;

(iv) to promote cooperative and group action among the beneficiaries;

(v) to establish a feed back mechanism and appropriate forum where a constant dialogue could take place between Government functionaries and beneficiary groups at village-level; and

(vi) to make the beneficiary groups self-reliant that is the group/individaul increasingly learns o do for themselves/himself what was done for them/him previously by others.

The scheme will be implemented by organising awareness generation camps for the target group. These will be organised by non-governmental agencies like Voluntary Agencies, National service Volunteer Corps and other agencies like Nehru Yuvak Kendras. The scheme will be implemented on a pilot hasis initially for two years in areas having strong voluntary organisations of other similar bodies

Production of Educational Programme with U.S. Collaboration

3220. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration for the production of educational (ETV) programme in collaboration with the United States;

(b) whether these programmes will be in English or whether these programmes are proposed to be dubbed in Hindi and other regional Languages for the benefit of all the children living far away from big cities; and

(c) what are the outlines of the proposed collaboration?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V. N. GADGIL): (a) No. Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Agreement with FAO for Strengthening Fertilizer Quality Control Institutions

3221. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations